

Council of M.D. of Wainwright Hold First Session of 1944

Wainwright, Alta., Jan. 13, 1944
The Council of the Municipal District of Wainwright, No. 392, met in the Council Chamber of the Municipal District on Thursday, January 13, 1944, full Council present as follows: Councillors Fahner, Strachan, Sutherland, Spencer, Dixon, Taylor and Archibald.

Reeve Sutherland in the chair. Moved by Mr. Spencer that the Minutes of our meeting of December 9th, 1943, be adopted as written.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Taylor that the following accounts as approved by the Finance Committee be passed and order paid.—Total \$28,667.54.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that the following pay-sheets be passed and ordered paid.—Total \$831.57.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that the hospital account of Mrs. E. Lamare be investigated by Mr. Fahner, and a report made at our next meeting.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the account of R. Harder received from the Viking Hospital be returned as this is not an indigent case.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Taylor that on the advice of our legal advisor we return the account of A. J. Muddle re arbitration.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Dixon that the account of Dr. Folkins regarding land for the roadway, and the moving and re-setting of fence be referred to Mr. Fahner for investigation and report.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Dixon that the Monthly Financial Statement as presented by the Secretary be incorporated in the Minutes.—Carried.

ADMINISTRATION AND TAXATION
The Ministerial Order under date of January 8th withdrawing T.p. 41 in Ranges 4, 5 and 6 West of the 4th Meridian, from out District, and adding the same to the Municipal District of Provost No. 362, was read by the Secretary and approved by the Council.

Moved by Mr. Fahner that the Fire Insurance Policy on the Chauvin Office Building with the Portage la Prairie Mutual Insurance Company be cancelled.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Spencer that the resignation of H. U. Taylor as returning officer for the year 1944, be accepted, and that Chas. Wilbraham be appointed to this position.—Carried.

Reeve Sutherland gave a report of the Municipal Districts Association Convention held in Calgary last November.

Moved by Mr. Fahner that the Delegate's report as rendered by the Delegate and supplemented by the other Delegates be accepted.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Strachan that the arrears of Wild Land Taxes as listed hereunder be cancelled:—

SW 26-42-1-4	\$11.24
NW 26-43-3-4	20.77
SW 26-44-3-4	23.23

—Carried.

A letter from the Department of Municipal Affairs re the installation of the new accounting system read and noted.

A letter from the Edgerton Board of Trade re office in Edgerton. The Secretary instructed to advise regarding this matter.

PUBLIC WORKS
Secretary reported re accounts forwarded to Kirwan, Town of Wainwright, and Army Camp.

Letter from E. D. Robertson regarding our request for additional grant on the Road from Highway No. 14, to the Village of Chauvin, read and ordered filed.

Letter from D. Fitzgerald regarding road machinery for sale

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Report of the Reeve and Mr. Fahner regarding the M. S. Preston account.

Moved by Mr. Spencer that we offer Mr. M. S. Preston \$25.00 as complete payment for moving trash and re-building fence as set out in his statement, and that the Secretary be authorized to send him a cheque for this amount.—Carried.

A letter from D. W. Ritchie regarding maintainers advising that none are for sale.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the matter of Mrs. M. M. Tripp and the gravel pit on SE 16-45-9-4 be tabled until such time as the weather permits an investigation.—Carried.

A letter from A. P. C. Belyea in regard to a Road Diversion on the NW 9-45-4-4 advising that same is still registered was read and noted.

A letter from G. H. A. Monkman, Deputy Minister of Public Works, regarding Municipal Liability for bridges read and ordered filed.

A letter from the Union Trust and Harvesting Company regarding the road machinery situation was read and ordered filed.

A letter from the Edgerton Board of Trade regarding roads liable to be blocked by snow, was read and the Secretary instructed to advise that arrangements have already been made to keep the location mentioned open if they should become blocked.

MUNICIPAL PROPERTY
Moved by Mr. Sutherland that the matter of disposing of the house on the NW 6-42-3-4 be left with Mr. Spencer, he to make a report at our next meeting.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the matter of disposing of the house on NW 28-45-5-4 be left with Mr. Taylor, he to report at our next meeting.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that Bylaw No. 50 concerning the sale of the NE 4-45-3-4 be given first and second reading and forwarded to the Department for the approval of the Minister.—Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to return the cheque of Leo Huber as the NW 32-41-6-4 will be in the Municipal District of Provost, No. 362, after January 15, 1944.

Moved by Mr. Taylor that Bylaw No. 49, concerning the sale of the SE 18-46-7-4 be given first reading and forwarded to the Department for the approval of the Minister.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Sutherland that Bylaw No. 51 regarding the sale of the SE 35-44-5-4 to Mrs. Mae Ford be given first and second reading and forwarded to the Department for the approval of the Minister.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Taylor that Bylaw No. 52 concerning the sale of the SE 20-45-5-4 be given first and second reading and forwarded to the Department for the approval of the Minister.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the offer of Gerald Scott to purchase the NE 9-44-9-4 be accepted and he be advised that on receipt of the cash payment we will prepare the necessary Bylaw.—Carried.

Kinsella Red Cross Exceeded Objective During Past Year

The annual meeting of the Kinsella Red Cross was held in the Municipal Office on Monday, January 10th. The Secretary announced that the objective of \$400 for the year has been reached, and a good number of articles have been sent to headquarters during the past year.

Mrs. Charles Turnbull, who has spent the past few months in Toronto with her sister and other relatives arrived home a few days ago.

We regret to report that news came through on Sunday night, that Ft. Sgt. Lyle Smart is reported missing.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Marks spent a few days in Edmonton last week.

Mr. Clayton Barker left for the city on Monday morning for medical attention.

Mr. Dave Corbett was an Edmonton visitor last week.

Mr. D. Brooks, formerly of Kinsella, now living in Czar, was in town last week.

Harold Reece, of Bashaw, whose parents were formerly Kinsella residents, is working on the Marks farm for the winter.

A Red Cross tea will be held in the Kinsella Hotel on Saturday, January 22nd, from 3 to 5. Come and meet your friends.

L.O.B.A. CARD PARTY

A most successful whist drive was held to start off the new series, last Saturday evening, when 14 tables of players enjoyed a jolly evening. The high scores were very even, the winners getting the honors by a small margin, Mrs. Carl Larson being the winning lady, while Mr. Carl Larson topped the gents' score. The winners went to Mrs. B. Smallwood and Mr. C. E. Penton.

The lodge plan to run a series of whist drives at two weeks' intervals so the next one will be on January 29th.

The Ladies' Orange Lodge are very grateful to all who turned out to help make a success of the first card party of the season, and cordially invite all their friends back again in two weeks, to which we promise a bigger and better evening in every way.

The Woodland Dairy expects to have an egg-grader about the middle of February, or possibly before then.

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Moved by Mr. Dixon that Bylaw No. 47 concerning the sale of the SW 25-45-7-4 be given third reading and finally passed.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Archibald that the offer of Gerald Scott to purchase the NE 9-44-9-4 be accepted and he be advised that on receipt of the cash payment we will prepare the necessary Bylaw.—Carried.

Farm Radio Forum Should Have More Rural Listeners

FARMERS' ATTENTION
"If we only had some way to get our grievances before the public, we would get some remedies and get our position bettered."

Well, we have that way offered to us through the medium of Farm Radio Forum. But like all other good things it requires some effort on our part. If you want to have Farm Radio Forum on the air next year, it is up to you to make use of it. If the Farmers do not show their interest by forming neighborhood groups, or where that isn't possible, Family Listening Groups, and sending in their Forum Findings regularly, their isn't apt to be any Farm Radio Forum next year.

In all of Alberta there are only 103 listening groups registered. Are you satisfied to let those few express their opinion for all Alberta. In the Viking District I believe there are only two groups; I hope there are some we don't know about.

Next Monday night we get the opinions from Listening Groups all across Canada. Why not invite in a few of your neighbors and elect a chairman and a secretary. Then send their names and the number of Farm Forum Guides you wish for your group, in to Provincial Secretary, Farm Radio Forum, 525 Loughheed Building, Calgary.

Now, that is easy, isn't it. You will have fun, too, with your study. Good luck to you.

THE LADY CURLERS

Our wash day's all off schedule. And our Monday supper's late. We wear the wildest sets of tops. Our heels we elevate.

The big ones and the little ones And all those in between. Are bent on being curlers And the competition's run.

We tangle with the rocks and brooms, In vigor—no holds barred—When 'ere our skips call out to us: "Oh sweep, girls! sweep it ha-a-r-d!"

Now, (after all this exercise, We sleep, to wake in fright, So take this for a sample That I dreamed the other night. The ladies' choir in surplises Came tripping down the ice; The white robes billowed out behind.

And really looked quite nice, As with their anthem books they fanned. Each rock that would retard, While skips in clear contralto sang "Oh sweep, girls! sweep it ha-a-r-d!"

From bad to worse that dream went on. 'Twas Sunday, and the choir Betook their long accustomed place In ski suits for attire. The leader, with a curling broom Instead of a baton Proceeded without more ado To lead the anthem on. The ladies followed faithfully. Crescendo and nitard.

This was the burden of the song: "Oh sweep, girls! sweep it ha-a-r-d!"

From such we wake to find we ache As though upon the rack; Perhaps we've fallen victims to The pangs of "curling back." In any case we're bound to find Our muscles are so sore We scarce can drag domestic brooms Across the kitchen floor; But as we see how dirt and dust It's surfaces have marred We grit our teeth and to the work "Oh sweep, girls! sweep it ha-a-r-d!"

—NEW BROOM.
Heard at the poker party: "You say your wife has had her hair dyed black? Why?" "She wants to keep it dark."



ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN
Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, January 23rd, at 2 p.m.
Please take notice the change of time which will be continued during the winter months.

UNITED CHURCH SERVICES
Sunday, January 23rd
Irma—Sunday School, 11 a.m.
Public Worship, 7:30 p.m.
A hearty invitation to all.

CHRISTIAN A.F.U. MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Irma Tabernacle—2:15 p.m.
Bible Class for all.
3:30 p.m.—Gospel Service.
Hardisty—Oddfellows' Hall.
8:45 p.m.—Gospel Service.
A very cordial welcome to you. "Jesus saith: They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick; I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."—Mark 2:17.

A.F.U. NOTES

The Irma A.F.U. local held their annual meeting in Hedley's Hall, January 10th. A good crowd turned out to hear a talk by the provincial president on the hog situation and other matters of vital interest to farmers. New officers were chosen for the coming year, and 25 members paid their dues. After the business meeting, entertainment was forthcoming from the children of the Ross District. This consisted of a short play and some acrobatics. The next meeting will be in Hedley's Hall, on February 2nd, at 8:30 p.m. Meanwhile remember the A.F.U. has fought long and hard for a better deal for the hog producer. The recently announced increase in prices did not come easily. Make it a point to join the local, and attend the meetings too, don't forget.

IN MEMORIAM

I loving memory of a dear husband and brother, James A. Thomson, who passed away January 22, 1940.

Four years have passed Since that sad day, When the one we loved Was called away.

In our hearts your memory lingers, Sweetly, tender, fond and true, There is not a day dear Husband and brother That we do not think of you. Lovingly remembered by wife, brother and sisters.

NEWS OF OUR BOYS

Lac E. A. Allen arrived home last Tuesday on special leave before leaving for Easter points. Lac Don Peterson has been home on leave from Pat Bay, B.C.

The Irma Veterans' Volunteer Reserve team scored 496 out of a possible 500 on their December shoot. The competition between the various Alberta teams was keen.

ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE WORLD OF FOODSTUFFS

Visible stocks of Canadian wheat on January 10th amounted to 354,814,388 bushels, a decline of approximately 3,700,000 bushels from the previous week's figures — Rumania's corn crop this year was not favorable as a whole, and it is not likely that there will be much surplus for export.—The U. S. will purchase an additional 37 million bushels of Canadian wheat for livestock feed.

Corn planting in South Africa has made good progress, and it is probable that there will be a full acreage this season—Chile's wheat acreage for the 1943-1944 crop year is estimated at 2,000,000 acres, compared with 1,845,000 acres last year.



Farmers May Need To BORROW More Than Usual

The 1943 crops have now been safely harvested and are available to help meet the needs of a world at war. In 1944 the world demand for food products will be enormous.



If you need to borrow more than usual to produce more food than usual, whether in the form of field crops, livestock or dairy products, do not hesitate to talk to the manager of our nearest branch.

BANK OF MONTREAL

Founded in 1817

Irma (Sub-Agency): Open Tuesday and Friday
Wainwright Branch: L. W. SMITH, Manager

(Continued Next Week)

MAKE YOUR OWN CIGARETTES WITH

MACDONALD'S
Fine Cut

THE FINEST TOBACCO YOU EVER SMOKED

Britain's Merchant Navy

DURING THE EARLY PART of the war, much attention was focused on the work of the British Merchant Navy. With the increasing tempo of the Allied attacks on land and by air, less has been heard of this branch of the service, although we have never ceased to be aware of the continuous part it plays in the prosecution of the war. It has been pointed out that in the last war, Britain's main supply line to her fighting forces went from Southampton to Havre, a distance of a little over one hundred miles. In this war, the supply line to the Middle East, around the Cape, is almost 12,000 miles. During 1941, three hundred ships were continuously in operation over this route, and by April of 1942, over three million tons of military supplies, including one million tons of foodstuffs, had been delivered to Egyptian ports. During the campaign in North Africa, more than 10,500,000 tons of Allied merchant shipping were used to carry supplies for the forces there, and we are told that on one night in March, 1943, more than one million tons of shipping were en route from Gibraltar to supply bases of the armies in Tunisia.

A Perilous And
Difficult Task

One of the greatest and most perilous tasks undertaken by the British Merchant Navy in this war, has been that of maintaining the flow of supplies from this continent to Britain. During the anxious times in 1940 and 1941, when Britain stood alone against Germany, the whole course of the war depended on the ability of the British people to produce war materials. The Merchant Navy kept them supplied with vital raw materials and food at that time, and is continuing to do so. We are told that up to the middle of June, 1943, twelve thousand ships, carrying over 77 million tons of cargo, had been conveyed to Britain from Canada alone. Canadian merchant ships, and those of Allied countries, were included in these figures. In addition, over 200,000 Canadian soldiers have been taken to Britain by the Merchant Navy. It has also been pointed out that during the first three months of 1943, more than two and a quarter million tons of British shipping was working for the United States, under the mutual aid agreement between the two countries. Under the same agreement British transports have been given to the United States to carry American troops overseas.

Many Tributes
Well Deserved

The Merchant Navy has carried large quantities of supplies to Russia over the dangerous northern route to Murmansk. The enemy has continuously hampered the progress of merchant ships on this route, yet by the end of 1942 nineteen large convoys had reached Russia and many have gone through since that time. A long and hazardous supply route has also been maintained to India, and large quantities of reinforcements and equipment have been sent there. One convoy which recently reached India was said to be so large that it could not be received at a single port, but had to be divided among several Indian sea ports. In the first three years of the war convoys of British merchant ships, manned by crews from Britain, the British Empire, India, the Colonies, and from Allied and neutral countries, have travelled over 125,000,000 ship miles, which is equivalent to six thousand times around the world. This branch of the services without doubt deserves the many tributes it has received, for it is clear that upon it has depended much of our success thus far, and that it will be equally vital until the last battle is won.

Doubling Up

How A Man Made Two Matches Out Of One

I feel you ought to meet an ingenious young man, who generously shared with fellow-passengers in the train his method of countering the match famine.

It is so simple. He merely splits the match down with a razor blade so that a blob of brimstone is left adhering to each half. By this means a box of matches goes twice as far. The halved matches are thin, but not too thin to strike without breaking if a little care is used.—Leeds Yorkshire Post.

First zoo in American was founded at Halifax in 1847 by Andrew Dornes.

ACTS 2 WAYS
TO RELIEVE MISERIES OF
BRONCHITIS

Now get real relief from coughs, soreness and congestion of bronchitis—this double-action way that actually



Now get the benefits of this combined PENETRATING-STIMULATING action. Just rub throat, chest, and back with Vicks VapoRub at bedtime. Instantly VapoRub goes to work—2 ways at once as shown above—to ease bronchitis coughing, loosen congested sinuses, soothe muscular soreness, and speed restful, comforting sleep. Often by morning most of the misery is gone. Get relief from bronchitis distress tonight with double-action, soothing Vicks VapoRub—... 77¢ 15¢

Use Of Plastics

Many Plastics Have Beginning Down On The Farm

The importance of plastics has been emphasized during this war, not only by architects and interior decorators, but by scientists. Many of these plastics are produced from farm oils. There are hundreds of uses for plastics in the manufacture of instruments and equipment for the machines of war. These same plastics will also be used for the needs of peace after the war years are past.

The cultivation of soybeans in Canada has been intensified in recent years. Soybeans have a definite place in the waterproofing of fabrics, and soy meal may be used to make plastics. Soybeans, apart from their value as a high protein feed for livestock, also provide edible oil and can be converted into a lubricating oil.

Progress has also been reported in investigations in connection with sunflowers, another plant from which an edible oil may be extracted.

A New Habit

Britons Assured That Chewing Gum Will Not Alter The Profile

The Daily Mirror was so concerned over the spread of the American-imported gum-chewing habit among Britons that it asked the Royal Anthropological Institute whether this would alter the British profile. The Institute replied sagely that Britons could chew "from now until doomsday without making any difference to the jaw."

SOLID MOLASSES
A process for dehydrating molasses and packing it in dry form has been developed by the U.S. Food and Economic Warfare. Finished solid blocks of molasses can be stored for indefinite periods in ordinary warehouses and sheds, and can be shipped, handled, and stored as general dry cargo.

Our Boys
And Girls On
Active Service

(By J. G.)

A portable medical laboratory for ships at sea has been developed by the R.C.N. research unit. Like a week-end bag, weighing about 40 lbs., it will be instrumental in saving lots of lives in the future. About 100 kits are already being distributed. From it they can make tests, diagnosis at 40, do bacteriological work, tuberculosis and diphtheria may be detected; there is enough blood grouping serum for 100 tests. Another important feature, it makes possible the testing and purification of drinking water, often in foreign ports a matter of grave concern.

How an electrically-heated flying suit probably saved a life comes with the story of how Sgt. G. W. Meadows of Bowman Lake, Manitoba, got the Conspicuous Gallantry Medal overseas. Rear gunner in a heavy bomber, over the target an enemy night fighter smashed the mid-upper and rear turrets, put a bullet in Meadows' leg. It hit the wiring in his electric flying suit, was deflected, same current in the groin. Meadows continued to man his turrets, however, and ward off eight attacks with his wireless operator and navigator. Meadows' flight was a masterpiece of bravery and gallant action.

The lads in the fighting ships look with loving eyes on the big, ungainly motor ships which are part of navy units and very necessary. They are the floating naval base, a haven of comparative safety where men back from duty rest and relax, with hot baths and good entertainment. She looks a bit queer, the mother ship—a cross between a tanker and a freighter, but different from either, with her repair shops and oversized sleeping quarters and galley. Actually she is the largest ship built in Canada to fly the white ensign; the ugly duckling of the navy, broad across beam, slow and steady, with a seaming line on deck and loading booms jutting above them. The ship's company is all specialists.

Recently a detachment of the girls of the Polish Women's Army assembled in Montreal from all over the world on their way overseas. They are joining the P.W.A.C. in London, England, for various highly specialized jobs. Two of them are refugees from Poland, and in the four years on this side have learned to speak our language fluently. Two westerners with them being Pte. Elsie Dziki of Manitowish, Alta., and Lieut. Ruby Soper of Toronto, Ont. The third was also a Zawiassa of Winnipeg, also Vera Novak from the same city, even Gene Kory of Austin, Texas; some were from Detroit, Michigan. They wear a wide leather belt to distinguish them from the other uniforms, also the silver buttons bear the Polish Eagle insignia.

Professional and amateur theatrical and musical comedy stars of Canada's pre-war days are intermingled in the "Army Show" units which recently arrived overseas on tour. Westerners among them include L.-Cpl. R. Wickerberg of Winnipeg, a singer, and from the same city a dancer named Pte. A. Phillips. The personnel are all trained for war. One unit has Sgt. R. M. Burns of Medicine Hat among the dancers; Pte. E. C. Brander, of Lethbridge, Alta., and L.-Cpl. F. G. Cassidy of Drummondville, Pte. M. Moynihan of Regina, Sask., formerly of the CWAC's, is also with them.

In the battle honors recently following the invasion of Sicily and Italy are a number of gallant men from the west. Major W. B. Wray of Edmonton, was awarded the Distinguished Service Order, while a Military Cross went to Lieut. J. A. Dougan, of Edmonton. Alberta was also in the limelight with Distinguished Conduct Medal winners, including Sgt. A. G. Cheesest, Ashcroft, and W. T. Davies, of Geneva, and Pte. Louis L. Melton, of Edmonton.

The familiar patches worn by Canadian soldiers of the recently disbanded 7th and 8th divisions and the re-organized 6th, will no longer be used. In future the grey and green diamond patch of the Atlantic and Pacific commands respectively will be worn by all Command operational troops as well as personnel permanently employed in training centres and district establishments of these commands.

Britain Finds Room

Has Placed 60,000 Refugees In Various Parts Of United Kingdom

Britain seems to be doing its part in finding homes for refugees. Sixty thousand non-British refugees have been admitted to various parts of the United Kingdom since May, 1940, and they still are arriving at the rate of 800 a month, the Foreign Office has disclosed. The announcement said 40,000 Polish refugees were being removed from Iran to East and South Africa, India, Palestine and Mexico through efforts of the governments concerned.—Sault Star.

CHILDREN'S LUNCHBOXES
War worker or children's lunchboxes should be kept clean and fresh. One of the best methods of cleaning is to wash out the lunch box frequently with warm water to which soda has been added. The lunchbox should be dried thoroughly.

THERE IS STRENGTH
IN UNITY OF PURPOSE

Prairie Lumber Dealers Prove The Soundness Of This Theory In A Practical Test

(One of a series of articles about your community lumber merchant, by F. C. Pickwell, well-known western newspaper writer)

The role played by local lumber dealers during the war has been outstanding, and of inestimable value to the communities they serve. The constructive service rendered provides a practical illustration on the value of unity of purpose in behalf of the general public. This story is worthy of more than passing reference. It has to do with the efforts made by local lumber dealers to secure to the community a steady and equitable supply and distribution of necessary material for their clients under controlled wartime conditions, without any serious regard for anticipated profits.

When war was declared against enemy nations the community lumber and supply yards only had stocks on hand to take care of customary demands under normal peace-time conditions. The situation did not cause any unusual alarm till the early part of 1941, when a combination of abnormal causes created a threatening crisis. The solution called for the studied judgment of the most experienced lumbermen in the industry.

Due to urgent demands of government and military authorities their needs were finally placed on the number one priority list, and under state control. That move appeared logical. The numerous training camps for the army, air force and navy accommodation just had to be met, without any argument. Then large munition plants had to be erected, or old buildings overhauled and enlarged, in addition to increased homes for the workers in many districts from coast to coast, particularly in the most important manufacturing centres.

To the superficial observer these hectic developments created an ideal foundation for the inauguration of an unrestrained boom in the lumber industry. But it did not work that way, for two substantial reasons. Enlistments in the various fighting forces soon reduced the number of experienced men in the lumber camps and mills in British Columbia and the northern spruce areas on the prairie. Then in the spring of 1941 H. R. MacMillan, of Vancouver, was appointed Canada's first timber controller.

Any possibility of soaring prices finally faded out of the picture on April 1, 1941, when all lumber prices were frozen as at that date. True, some slight increases have since been authorized by the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, as a means of encouraging increased production at the industry's source. But, so far as the consumer is concerned, the prices remain being paid for lumber remain approximately the same as set on the above date.

It would appear to be somewhat paradoxical to conclude that the price of such an irreplaceable material as lumber was frozen some six months before the war was declared, commodities, which were pegged originally at levels in force during the basic period. The point to be borne in mind is that many of these have since increased substantially, but the price of lumber has remained much more stationary.

The consuming public may thus gather from official records that the prices which community dealers were paid to pay the mills for lumber, and the prices which they in turn could charge their customers, were all definitely established by federal government regulation. These decrees militated in times of emergency against the possibility of retailers securing supplies in desired quantities, as prices in export markets were not similarly controlled.

Butter Shipments

Shipments From Prairie Provinces Are Under Control

Those parts of Canada where butter supplies are low will benefit by an order issued December 23rd last, by the Dairy Products Board. The order prescribes that shipments of butter from the prairie provinces must be made only to destinations authorized by the Board and states that "no person shall, without authorization from the Dairy Products Board, ship or transport creamery butter in quantities greater than 1,000 pounds from the Provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan or Manitoba into any other of the said provinces or into any other province of Canada." The order rescinds an earlier prohibition of butter shipments into Alberta and British Columbia.

The object of the order is to prevent accumulation of butter where supplies are plentiful and to route it to deficiency areas.

For Faster Relief of
CHEST COLDS

Muscular
Aches & Pains
Tired Burning Feet
MASSAGE WELL WITH

BUCKLEY'S
STAINLESS
WHITE RUB
PRICE 30¢ and 50¢ at All Drugists

And have been consistently higher than domestic prices.

And so there came a time when local dealers throughout the prairie provinces in particular had to take united action in behalf of the various communities they represented. The real crisis was reached when a record grain crop was harvested, and storage facilities reached a critical stage. This condition was intensified by the growing need for more and better accommodation for increased stocks of pigs and chickens to meet overseas demands. Stocks of lumber in the country yards were too low on the control board's priority list to do much about it.

But something had to be done to relieve a bad situation. Acting through officials of their own organization, the Western Retail Lumbermen's Association, strong representations were made to the Ottawa government. It was not a matter of selfish interests, in the form of greater temporary profits—then beyond the power of local business men—but a vastly more important thing to solve the pressing problems of their communities in a war emergency. The vital prairie food products

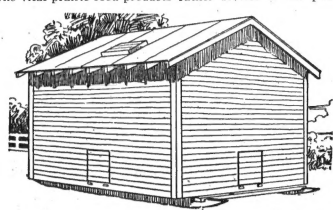
were at stake, and must be protected at all costs,—a fact obviously overlooked at the time by those in authority.

The urgent need for relief in a serious situation among agriculturists, backed by higher priority at least during the emergency, was stressed in letters to the ministers of agriculture in Ottawa, Winnipeg, Regina and Edmonton in 1942. It was pointed out that dealers in local communities usually anticipated their requirements and stocked their yards to stock their yards to the extent necessary, that no number of any kind could be purchased at the time, and that the situation was not likely to improve. It was emphasized that unless the government authorities made it possible for the local dealers to stock their yards to the extent necessary, the farmers would be faced with a serious problem later on.

At that time it was becoming obvious that prairie grain growers would be unable to secure the lumber needed to build their own granaries, at the very time when urgently advised to do so. They also required buildings to shelter increased stock raised in answer to the government's request for more bacon, butter, cheese and eggs for Britain.

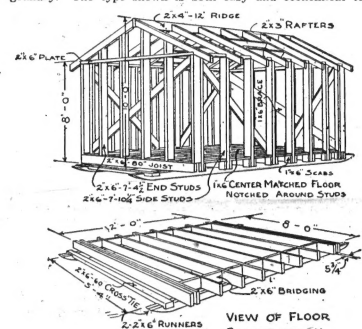
This carefully organized co-operative effort secured the desired results. Ottawa finally acknowledged the importance of food production on the priority ratings, as an essential part of the war program.

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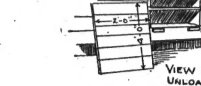
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You will find that the price of fish is influenced by the locality and season, so you should buy fish when it is in season and the varieties that are caught near your home, for economy's sake.

Another doubtful point in many of your minds is how to tell fresh fish. If the eyes are full and bright, the gills red, the flesh firm and elastic, and there is no disagreeable odour—then the fish is fresh. If you wish to have fish that is not caught near home it may be bought economically if it has been frozen, salted, pickled, smoked or canned. So you have a wide choice in respect to the varieties and their preservation.

You must not cook fish the same way as you do meat. You must have noticed that fish is never tough. This is due to the fact that there is no connective tissue and there is in meat. Fish should be cooked only long enough (10 minutes per pound is sufficient) to develop the flavour and change the texture. Prolonged cooking dries out the fish and spoils the flavour.

You should cook fish several different ways to add a variety to your menus. Fillets and small fish may be broiled or pan-broiled in oil or fat and basted during the cooking to prevent the fish drying out. Fish may be cooked with bread crumbs and egg or cornmeal and fried in fat at a high temperature to prevent the fat soaking into the fish. Larger size fish may be stuffed and baked in a moderate oven, basting with melted butter, or salt pork or lean bacon placed on top of the fish will add richness and flavour. You could wrap fish to be boiled in cheese cloth to facilitate handling.

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OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

Time To Retire

By JANET DORAN

McClure Newspaper Syndicate

Vicky Van closed the door to the main ward and sat down in the hard oak chair at the hard oak desk. Gingerly she untied her shoes and slipped them off, wriggled her toes and sighed in deep relief. Her bunions throbbed like a toothache; it had hurt ever since the night she'd stood in the snow-covered hospital yard helping apply first aid measures to five smash-up victims.

It was silent with the brooding hush of dawn in the big hospital, and Vicky's fifty years rested heavily on her square shoulders at such times. Still, she wasn't old. Ridiculous that Dr. Baird should suggest she retire. Nurses and doctors achieved their valuable years at this age.

The light over 18 flared red and began blinking violently. Nurse Van put on her shoes over protesting feet. Darn Mrs. Kelsey! She demanded more attention than the private patients with special nurses and spotlight specialists dancing attendance on them. And there was nothing wrong with her except that she drank too much coffee, ate too many sweets and howled when she had a pain.

"Yes, Mrs. Kelsey," Vicky Van said soothingly.

"Call Dr. Baird, Miss Van; it's my heart again."

"Your heart is sound as a brick, Mrs. Kelsey," Vicky snapped. "And Dr. Baird can't be disturbed except in an emergency."

"You'd let me die like this?"

Plainly Mrs. Kelsey accused Vicky of murder.

Vicky finished taking her pulse. Normal. She took her temperature, and went to look at the sleeping girl in the curtained alcove next the window.

Althea Valenski had an incurable cardiac disease, yet she made fewer demands than anyone else in the ward. Guessing her hours were numbered, she bore her pain and terror patiently lest those few remaining days become a burden to others.

It was shrewd observation of Althea that provided Mrs. Kelsey with a pattern for her imaginary moods. She opened her eyes now and smiled wanly at Vicky; reached to touch her hand mutely, then closed her eyes.

Back in her chair Vicky again took off her shoes. A baby cried fretfully in the maternity ward. In the diet kitchen a nurse whipped a milk shake, and the dumb-waiter stopped with the usual five o'clock coffee and toast.

Time to retire indeed, thought Vicky. She'd like to tell Dr. Baird a thing or two!

On duty at seven that night she found a call order awaiting her. "Super's office, Van; hope it isn't tough luck." The little day nurse hung her warm smile as she hurried away.

"Miss Van, Dr. Baird wants you. It's Mrs. Kelsey—she's been reporting everyone from the janitor up for neglect of duty and mayhem today."

Miss Van, if you refuse to report a heart attack when Mrs. Kelsey expressly told you to call me last night?" Dr. Baird demanded.

"Mrs. Kelsey's heart is as sound as yours, Doctor Baird. I thought you needed the rest."

"It's not your place to do my thinking for me, Miss Van! Mrs. Kelsey has made a difficult situation for all of us out of this. She complained to the Board and the Superintendent, and we'll be fortunate if she doesn't go to the City Hall and Capitol, too."

"I'm sorry, Doctor. It wasn't a heart attack."

"I'll have to give you a young assistant, Miss Van. I can't cope with this continued disturbance over trifles."

Vicky went about her work with a heavy heart. She wasn't too old. She wasn't! And she needed this job. She had no kin, nowhere to go, nothing to do beyond this. She'd built her whole life around nursing.

The light flashed sometime later and she jumped to answer the signal. But this time Mrs. Kelsey had pulled the cord for Althea, not herself.

One look, and Vicky dove for the emergency cord.

"Get Baird on the run!" she ordered. Minutes that seemed hours later, she felt Dr. Baird's presence. Saw despair in his face as he worked to rally the fading spark of life.

It was unfortunate that Mrs. Kelsey took this occasion to stage one of her fake attacks. Unfortunately that Vicky was concerned with sav-

ing a life, not pandering to the tantrums of a hypochondriac.

"My heart!" whimpered Mrs. Kelsey.

Vicky, handing Dr. Baird instruments from the enamel tray, ignored her. Althea's face grew grey, her pulse fluttered lower, stopped, then flickered again.

"Water!" moaned Mrs. Kelsey.

"I'm dying!"

Vicky flung a glassful of ice water in her face and yanked a fresh needle into the adrenal injector. Dr. Baird worked on in the awful silence of desperation.

Hours afterwards, Vicky crept down the corridor, cap in hand, hair limp about a wet, exhausted face. Althea was alive, but she was through. "She'd hand Baird her resignation now. Time to retire when you lost your temper in a tight spot."

"Ah... Van... come in." Dr. Baird lit his briar and eyed her under beetling grizzled brows. "Glad we won, Van, but it was a tough experience."

Vicky's tired eyes widened with surprise. Not a word about insubordination! Not a word about quitting.

"I came to tender my resignation, Dr. Baird. I guess you're right, it's time I retired."

"Resign? Retire? Great hat, what for, Van? Best nurse in an emergency we've ever had. Anyone less experienced would have fallen for that phony act the Kelsey woman staged, but you knew that every second counts when you're fighting a bad heart lesion."

"Thank you, Dr. Baird, guess I'll turn in," said Vicky feebly.

"Don't time us both had a little shut-eye. See you're on duty on time tonight, Van! We need you at Brandt Memorial!"

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UNITED NATIONS FOOD CONFERENCE

"It has for too long been taken for granted that food is available to all," says the Canadian Medical Association Journal in commenting on the conference on Food and Agriculture held at Hot Springs, Ark., when representatives of 44 countries, nine of them occupied by enemy forces, took part.

"For the past twenty years there has been a rising tide of education on the subject of nutrition. It has reached such heights as to raise hope that the average individual is beginning to absorb the main principles, and yet that is not the most important side of the matter. It is well to teach the principles of good nutrition, but it is necessary to have the food first. That the production of food can be made adequate has never been questioned. That there has been a failure to distribute food reasonably and to all, is equally beyond question. The paradox of starvation of the consumer and ruin of the producer in a world of plenty is one of which we may well gaze with dismay. There is, therefore, more than ordinary significance in the recent United Nations Conference on Food and Agriculture. . . . The delegates could not bind their countries as they had no power to do so, but they made unanimous recommendations which should be highly effective in each country. . . . Only through the work of the League of Nations could an accurate and comprehensive picture of the state of nutrition throughout the world be available. . . . and it will be one of the tasks of the proposed United Nations food and agricultural organization to complete the picture in detail and replace it by a brighter one."

The article went on to say that from the medical point of view the work of the Conference holds out hope of the problem being approached practically. Only by its solution can the prevention of disease, on a scale far beyond what could be done by separate medical planning, be attained. Indeed, "no plans for the betterment of human health can be more than imperfect makeshifts so long as nutrition is poor."

MORE BARBED WIRE

Production of barbed wire will be increased in Canada this year, and this should be welcome news to farmers and ranchers who require wire in large quantities. Manufacturers will be allowed to establish consignment and storage stocks at the head of the Great Lakes to meet western requirements during the months of closed navigation.

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Agriculture in Canada

Employs Almost 30 Per Cent. Of The Total Casually Employed Population

Agriculture in Canada employed almost 30 per cent. of the total gainfully occupied population, and about 34 per cent., or over one-third, of the gainfully occupied males. In addition, agriculture provided the raw materials for many Canadian manufactures, and its products in raw or manufactured form constituted a very large percentage of Canadian exports. The estimated annual gross value of dairy products in recent years has been placed at over 301 million dollars, almost 100 million dollars higher than the estimated annual value of the gold production of Canada.

Milk is produced in every province of Canada and its sale brings pay cheques to about 420,000 farmers. To this number might be added between 35 and 40 thousand employees in distributing and manufacturing plants. Thus, producers, employees, and their families account for about 17 per cent. of the total population. Some authorities estimate that at least one-fifth of Canada's population is dependent upon the dairy industry for a living. The production and marketing of milk products might rightly be considered as one of the greatest national industries.

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LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Logan, of Edmonton, visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fletcher last week-end following their wedding in Edmonton last week. Mrs. Logan was formerly Miss Phyllis Marshall, of Edmonton.

Messrs. John Ostad and Carl Anquist were Edmonton visitors this week.

Mr. W. E. Walker arrived home this week from a holiday trip to Toronto and other eastern points where he visited old friends.

Mr. L. L. Guiltner arrived back from the U.S.A. this week, where he enjoyed a well-earned holiday with his brother and other relatives.

Miss Ruth Moore, of Edmonton, has been visiting for a few days with Mrs. Vernon Peterson and family.

Messrs. Havie Eldford, Peter Kazak and Ross McFarland went to Edmonton last week to enlist in the navy. On Wednesday, Havie and Pete came home after failing to pass their examinations. Ross passed and will go into training a little later on.

The increase in the price and the great shortage of honey has created demand for package bees that exceeds the supply. This, coupled with the shortage of help and the higher cost of cages and feed for shipping has caused an increase in prices. According to a price list received last week, two-pound packages will cost \$5.70 F.O.B., Edmonton, on orders for ten to twenty-five packages. By leaving your orders with E. W. Carter, Irma, you will receive the advantage of lower prices and less express charges. At least ten per cent of the price should accompany the order, or all of it, if possible. Place your order now and they will receive prompt attention.

Mr. and Mrs. Halvorson left on Wednesday for a holiday trip to Calgary and other places. Mr. and Mrs. Halvorson expect to be away about a month.

The next C.C.F. card party will be held in Hedley's Hall on Saturday, January 22nd.

Miss Betty Black, of University Hospital staff, Edmonton, is home on her holidays.

One rink of curlers from Viking with Mr. Thunell as skip, visited Irma last Saturday evening for a friendly game to try out the Irma ice. The visitors won from the local rink consisting of S. M. Brown, skip; H. L. Black, W. N. Frickleton and R. C. McFarland, by a margin of three points.

Several more ladies have now joined the Irma Curling Club, so that they now have members enough for five rinks. As soon as colder weather arrives the competition between these rinks will be very great.

ST. MARY'S W.A. ANNUAL MEETING

St. Mary's W.A. annual meeting was held in the home of Mrs. Axel Peterson on Tuesday, 18th inst. There was a good attendance, including our rector, Rev. L. A. Bralant, who took the chair for the election of officers. The annual report was given by Mrs. T. Sanders, secretary; showing a most decided improvement in all our activities. Financial report was most encouraging, and a real sincere and hearty vote of thanks was accorded to all our friends and neighbors who had so kindly helped us in making this possible. One of our members was greatly missed; prayers were offered on her behalf with our sincere trust that she may again be with us in our meetings in the near future. Mrs. Thurston, president, gave us her annual address, thanking all members for their hearty co-operation. Mrs. Edwin Sanders reported on her Dorcas work; Mrs. Parke, social service; reported our bales was much larger this year, and a letter from S. S. Conventer, was read, telling how greatly the garments were appreciated.

Mrs. Darling reported on her Missionary Prayer Partner work. Mrs. Axel Peterson, Educational Secretary and Sick Convener, reported on her activities. All officers graciously accepted their office for the ensuing year with a prayer and trust that our work will be blessed with all good results.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING, ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The annual Congregational meeting of St. Mary's Church was held in the evening of January 18th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Axel Peterson. A very good attendance was present. Mr. T. Thurston, "People's Warden," gave the annual report, also financial statement, which was truly wonderful; in so far that all liabilities had been met, (for the first time in quite a few years), and we are truly thankful for the many friends who have so kindly responded. The Rector reported church attendance fair (could be better) and communications average attendance. In his address our Rector gave us great encouragement, thanking each one individually for their part in making our church services possible, pointing out after his 20-mile drive what a source of help and inspiration it is to him to find the church warm and the organist in her place.

Mr. Price Jones, retiring Rector's Warden, felt unable to carry on in his stead. Mr. F. Thurston, after persuasion, was elected People's Warden.

OATS DO NOT ALWAYS GROW

Reports of poor germination of samples of oats sent for test continue to reach this office. A report of three samples from the Hughtenden district was seen recently. All samples appeared in good condition and weighed up over forty pounds per bushel. Germinations recorded were: 18 per cent, 32 per cent, and 85 per cent. Judging by reports covering the whole of this district of supervision the condition represented by these three tests is typical. About half the samples are quite satisfactory for use for seed, germinating 80 per cent and up. Of the remainder, about half germinate between 30 per cent—55 per cent, and the rest are almost a complete failure.

Some farmers are going to take a chance on their oats growing, but if they do, it is a fifty-fifty chance that the field will be a failure. Don't get caught on anything so simple. Send in your sample and make sure, but do it now. Seed testing agencies are busy, but they will be a whole lot busier later on. Test may be arranged through your local elevator agents, or send samples and 50c to Plant Products Division.

WHEAT BOARD PAYMENTS

Commencing about March 1st the Canadian Wheat Board will be distributing final payments on deliveries from the 1940, 1941, and 1942 crops. Preliminary work is already under way. Farmers would be well advised to check up their participation certificates as these have to be surrendered at the time the payment is issued. If any are missing you should write to the Canadian Wheat Board, Winnipeg, and inform them of the fact.

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The Alma Mater and Roseberry Ladies' Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. Carrington. The Devotional period will be conducted by Mrs. Oldham. This will be held Thursday afternoon, January 27th, and being the annual meeting a full attendance of members and friends is urgently requested. Mrs. Oldham will assist the hostess in serving.

An enjoyable evening was spent at Albert School on Friday, January 14th. Some engaged in whist while others enjoyed bingo. The top scores in whist were held by Mr. and Mrs. Dallow. The sum of \$12.63 was cleared, and is to be used to start the Albert Junior Red Cross.

We are really having our January thaw this week. Our winter weather so far has been easy on fuel, but we still have a couple of months ahead of us. The mild weather has called a halt to curling—only two games were played last Tuesday evening. Further games are being postponed until colder weather.

Viking Items

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Viking Co-operative Creamery Association was held in the Anglican Hall on Saturday, January 15th, and a larger number of shareholders than usual were in attendance.

The financial statement and auditor's report, which was read in detail by the Secretary-Treasurer, showed that the Association continues to be in a very healthy condition. The volume of business done in the past year was almost half million dollars, and the amount of butter made increased by almost 8 per cent. over the previous year. One reason for the larger volume of money in circulation in the district is that an average of more than four cents per pound for butter-fat over the previous year was paid out to the producers.

No change was made in the slate of officers or directors, who are:

G. A. Loades, President.
L. O. Wollen, Vice-President.
Directors — N. W. Fors, Jno. Child, H. S. Peterson, Thos. M. Berg, E. Thompson, Thos. Sorenson, R. H. Roddick, J. P. Rozmahel.

Manager—Magnus Hanssen.
Secretary-Treasurer and Salesman, H. Rollans.
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer—P. O. Nordstrom.

Word has been received that Mrs. T. T. Boe, wife of Rev. T. T. Boe, former pastor of the Viking Lutheran church, died at her home in Sacred Heart, Minnesota, on December 18th, after a short illness. Rev. Mr. Boe suffered an accident when he fell on some ice and has had to use crutches. He wishes to be remembered to friends in this district.

The annual meeting of the Local was held on Saturday, January 8th, in Hilliker's Hall. The attendance at the beginning was fair, but as the meeting progressed it grew to quite a large attendance.

The Local finished the year 1943 in the "red" for the first time. But this did not discourage the members present, as they each contributed \$1.00, and we were on the right side of the ledger once again. But this was not the end, as Mrs. Nels Nordstrom moved that the ladies supply lunch at each meeting, and the proceeds to go to the Local's expense account. This is undoubtedly a fine spirit of co-operation, and is much appreciated by the executive.

The election of officers resulted as follows:
President—P. Rosen.
Vice-President—A. Nordstrom.
Secretary-Treasurer — A. G. Bird.

Viking curlers played at Irma last Saturday evening and nosed out a win over our local boys. Playing for Irma were Messrs. Brown, Black, McFarland and Frickleton, while the Viking club was represented by Messrs. Sandy Ross, Thunell, Loades and Darrak. The visitors were loud in their praises of the new rink, and also the fine music provided for the skaters. The bunch had lunch at the cafe, and promised to be back again for another game.

Spring must be around the corner somewhere, John Jacobs reports the arrival of a real live butter fly today that is feeding on the plants in the hotel rotunda. Well, if spring comes soon, summer won't be far behind.

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FORETHOUGHT REQUIRED IN WEED CONTROL

Many bulletins and pamphlets on weed control are available at the present time. They tell the farmer, how to eradicate various weeds, it is true, but in many cases the method of control outlined is too expensive, requires machinery which is not available to the average farmer, or is applicable only to certain types of farming.

In too many cases the eradication of weeds is dealt with as a problem apart from the general farm program, and no mention is made of instituting a farm program which will prevent a recurrence of the problem. An extensive fallow may eradicate a certain weed, but if the farmer then reverts to the same type of farming that he was carrying on previously the expensive operation is certain to be required again sooner or later.

The farm program should take into consideration the prevention or control of weeds and the maintenance of soil fertility says H. J. Mather, Supervisor, Soil Conservation and Weed Control. If this were done the productivity of the soil could be maintained and the excessive costs of eradicating serious weed infestations largely avoided.

Good farming is the best answer to our weed problem. This implies a thorough study of the weed infestation on the farm and the laying out of a program of cropping which will take advantage of every available means to reduce it.

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